CALIFORNIA APPRENTICESHIP COUNCIL

INITIAL STATEMENT OF REASONS

FOR PROPOSED ACTION TO AMEND

CALIFORNIA CODE OF REGULATIONS, TITLE 8, CHAPTER 2, PART IV, SECTION 230.1.

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PURPOSE AND RATIONALE:

The California Apprenticeship Council ("Council") is charged with authority under Labor Code section 1777.7 to adopt regulations to interpret and make specific the provisions of Labor Code section 1777.5 regarding the provisions for employment of apprentices on public works.

Tit. 8, California Code of Regulations, section 230.1 ("Regulation 230.1") is the regulation by which the Council has interpreted Labor Code section 1777.5. The Council has adopted amendments to Regulation 230.1 to provide as follows:

The proposed amendment to subsection (a) of Regulation 230.1 is intended to increase the opportunities for employment of apprentices by providing that a public works contractor must exhaust the availability of apprentices from <u>all</u> applicable apprenticeship committees, not just one, in order to be excused from the requirement for employment of apprentices on public works. The proposed amendment also confirms that this change does not affect the contractor's ability to comply with the requirement by employing its own registered apprentices.

The proposed amendment to subsection (d) of Regulation 230.1 is intended not to delay or move up the effective date of the proposed amendment, but rather to exempt contractors from application of the proposed amendment only for those public works jobs on which they bid or which they were awarded prior to January 1, 2008.

SPECIFIC TECHNOLOGIES OR EOUIPMENT:

The proposed action does not mandate the use of specific technologies or equipment.

TECHNICAL, THEORETICAL, EMPIRICAL, OR OTHER STUDIES:

The proposed action is not based on a consideration of any technical, theoretical, empirical or other studies.

ALTERNATIVES:

The Council has not formally considered alternatives to the proposed action. The public is invited to provide comments and suggestions regarding alternatives during the comment period. The proposed action is not expected to have an adverse impact on small business.